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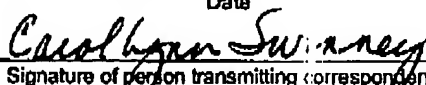
**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of November 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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